### Caswell County Government

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2018 Summer Edition

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### **Library News**

Submitted by: Rhonda Griffin

#### **Three Ways to Prevent Summer Slide**

Try these strategies to help your reader improve her reading during the summer and beyond.

http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/develop ing-reading-skills/three-ways-to-prevent-summer-slide



Many children, especially struggling readers, forget some of what they've learned or slip out of practice during the summer months. Try these strategies to help your reader improve her reading during the summer and beyond:

**Six books to summer success:** Research shows that reading just six books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing. When choosing the six, be sure that they are just right — not too hard and not too easy. Take advantage of your <u>local library</u>. Ask for help selecting books that match your child's age, interests, and abilities. Libraries often run summer reading programs that motivate kids to read, so find out what's available in your area. Also check our <u>book lists</u> for recommendations.

**Read something every day:** Encourage your child to take advantage of every opportunity to read. Find them throughout the day:

Morning: The newspaper — even if it is just the comics or today's weather.

Daytime: Schedules, TV guides, magazines, online resources, etc. For example, if your daughter likes the food channel, help her look for a recipe on the network's Web site — then cook it together for more reading practice.

Evening: End the day by having your child read to you from the book he is currently reading (one of the six books, above). Have him rehearse a paragraph, page, or chapter before reading to you. Rereading will help him be more fluent — able to read at an appropriate speed, correctly, and with nice expression.

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#### **Library News (Cont'd)**

**Keep reading aloud:** Reading aloud benefits all children and teens, especially those who struggle. One benefit is that you can read books your child can't, so she will build listening comprehension skills with grade-level and above books. This will increase her knowledge and expand her experience with text, so that she will do better when she reads on her own.

It's hard to keep up a reading routine in a season packed with distractions and diversions. These suggestions will fit into a busy schedule and make reading fun!

#### **Summer Reading Programming at the Caswell County Public Library:**

#### Children's

July 12 – Rockstar Magic @ 10AM (Caswell Civic Center 536 Main Street, Yanceyville NC)

July 19 – Rags to Riches @ 10AM (Caswell Civic Center 536 Main Street, Yanceyville NC)

July 28 – Summer Reading Celebration! @ 10AM (Gunn Memorial Library, 118 W. Main St.)

After each performance, stop by the library to pick out a prize!

Summer Reading Essay Contest: Pick 1 song that inspired you to learn, feel or change. Examples include nursery rhymes, TV theme songs, or songs from the radio (past and present). Explain your choice in 150 – 500 words. Be sure to proofread your essay for errors. Contest guidelines may be picked up at the library. (118 West Main St.) OPEN TO GRADES 3rd – 12th as well as ADULTS. Deadline is 7pm on July 19.

Teens – Sign-up, read books and be eligible to win Amazon Gift Cards, teen room décor, a Twilight DVD box set, a Kindle Fire HD 10 tablet and more!

Adults – Stop by to sign up and receive your weekly summer reading assignment. Once your assignment is completed, you'll receive a prize! Prizes include gift cards, t-shirts, movies and more! For more information, please call us at 336-694-6241.



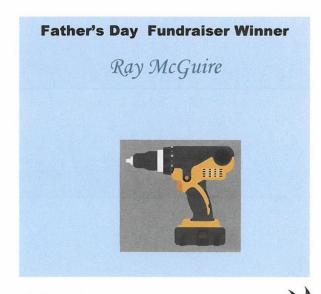






We at Family Services of Caswell County would like to thank everyone who participated in our Mother's Day and Father's Day Fundraisers! Your support helped us raise over \$600 for local victims of domestic violence. Proceeds from fundraisers are used to assist clients with food, provisions, clothing, children's needs and sheltering expenses. We are truly grateful for your support as we can not do the work alone.







Family Services of Caswell County
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"Working to End Domestic Violence"



### Family Services Fish Fry & Benefit Concert

on Saturday, October 13, 2018

Sgt. Darrell McLean and his band Cruize Control will be performing at this event. More information to come. If you would like information now please contact Family Services at 336-694-5750.



#### **Section 8 Housing**

Angy Turner aka Gammy added a new cutie to her crew on April 29, 2018. Kassius Harold-Dean Williamson was born to Jonathan and LaCosta Williamson. Kassius was 19.5 inches long and weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. His proud Aunt Lisa Webster works at DSS. Kassius was honorably named after his Papa Harold whom family and friends lost on July 31, 2017.

Addison Faith Turner, daughter of Angy Turner, Graduated from Noah's Educational Ark on June 1, 2018. At her graduation ceremony Addy lead her class in singing, This Little Light of Mine. She also stated that she wants to be a Veterinarian when she grows up. (Because she wants a puppy now but Mommy won't let her have one). Addison will start school at Oakwood Elementary in the fall. Addison has a sister, Megan Turner; a niece, Gracelynn; a brother, Jonathan Williamson; sister-in-law, LaCosta; 3 nephews, Kassius, Jason & Jayden and a bonus sister, Julie, who are all very proud of her!





Daughter of Samantha & Justin Shumaker, Jaidyn Raine Shumaker 11 years old, graduated from Oakwood Elementary this year and will be promoted to 6th grade with the A honor roll. She excels in being a member of the BETA Club, Enrichment Club and AIG program. Since 3 she has been a dancer with Margaret Rowland's School of Dance and then went on to join The Dance House. She is a Westside Cardinals Cheerleader and plays second base and short stop for the "Army Stong" Fast Pitch Softball

Team. She enjoys gymnastics, acrobatics, hanging out with her friends and being an awesome big sister to her two siblings, Justin, Jr. and Journey. She has a passion for helping others and bringing a smile to everyone's face. When she grows up she has unlimited dreams some of which are owning a dance studio, being a doctor, lawyer and traveling the world!!!!

### **Health Department**

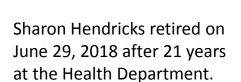


Emily Fowlkes married Andrew Hodges on June 23, 2018.



Stephana Wood retired on June 29, 2018 after 14 years at the Health Department.











#### **Administration**

Kristen Hamlett's son, Tre'Vion Stewart, was born on April 15, 2018 at Chapel Hill Woman's Hospital. He was born healthy, weighing 8 lbs.4 oz. She and her boyfriend went to the doctor to see what was going on because of her sickness. The doctor ran multiple tests came back in the room smiling from ear to ear. Kristen asked the doctor 'What's wrong with me?" and she replied 'Congrats y'all are going to be parents!' When Kristen found out she was about to become a mom she had so many emotions. She was happy, sad and scared all at once but that left quick because she knew they had a little blessing coming in this world. They are so blessed to have a healthy baby boy and Kirsten wouldn't trade Tre'Vion for nothing in the world!







Paula Seamster, Clerk to the Board, feels double blessed this year. Her daughter, Mikayla, will be marrying Zach Renn in November and her son and daughter-in-law, Boone and Magan, will be having a little bundle of joy in December.

### **Parks and Recreation**





Meet Coda Jamell Enoch, son of Brandon Enoch and Diamond Bigelow. Brandon became 'Daddy' on April 26, 2018. Coda made his all-star debut weighing 5 lbs. 12 oz. and 19 ¾ inches long. Congratulations and hold on tight, he will have a basketball in his hands before you know it!

#### Sheriff's Department





Taylor Jones is the daughter of Sergeant Brian Jones and Dawn Jones. Taylor is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High School. She has played volleyball in middle school and high school. She also played volleyball at the Caswell County Parks and Rec. Taylor is a member of the BETA Club, NC Scholar and the Yearbook Staff. Taylor plans to attend ACC in the fall in the University Transfer Program in hopes to pursue a degree in the field of Physical Therapy. "We are very proud of the young lady that you have become and all of your hard work in school is paying off! We love you more than you will ever know!! Love, Mom and Dad."

### Youth Outreach Program

Submitted by: Tonya Pegg

#### **Teen Court**

The Caswell County Youth Outreach/Enrichment Program has served nearly 20 youth this year. To serve these youth volunteers are needed. Some benefits to volunteering with Teen Court are making a positive difference in the lives of other youth, giving back to the community, volunteer and/or service hours, competition and travel opportunity, hands-on knowledge of the judicial system, developing healthy attitudes towards authority figures, improve critical thinking and communication skills and using peer pressure in a positive way.

We have been blessed with very productive and effective volunteers over the years but in a bitter-sweet moment, three of our volunteers are advancing forward this year. Please join us in celebration of their achievements and of our gratitude!



Carrington Breedlove is a graduating Teen Court volunteer and also the son of Tonya (DSS) and Marcus Moye and Tracy Breedlove. He signed up in November 2016 and has been exceptionally active since. Carrington has held the positions of clerk, bailiff, and juror but he is best known for his role of Prosecutor. Carrington states he wanted to volunteer because he is interested in practicing law. We want to say "Thank you" and express our appreciation for the many hours he has dedicated to the program. Carrington is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High school. He plans to attend

Piedmont Community College in the fall for two years and then transfer to UNC-G. Carrington hopes to one day become a prosecuting attorney. Carrington states "I just wanted to say I really enjoyed being in Teen Court, being able to meet you all and learning more about the court system. It was really fun."

Princess Wright joined Teen Court in October 2016. She is dependable and flexible in her roles of Juror, Clerk, Bailiff, Defense Attorney, and Prosecutor. Under the role of Assistant Defense Attorney, she and her partner were awarded Best Courtroom Defense at the N.C. Teen Court Summit in 2017. We want to say "Thank you" and we appreciate the hours and dedication she has to the program. Princess is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High School. She is the granddaughter of Ms. Ruby Mebane. Princess graduated Cum Laude and is an Official member of the BETA Club. She also has an Endorsement in Community Colleges in North Carolina. She will be attending UNC-G this fall.

When asked about participating in Teen Court, Princess states, "I think it was awesome...it's really fun and lets you learn a ton of things."



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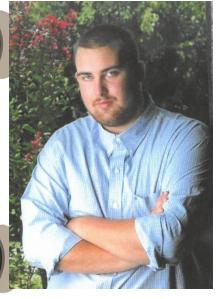
Tamiaya Henderson is one of our original Teen Court volunteers. She signed up as quickly as the program got started in 2014 and has been extremely active since. Tamiaya has been the Prosecutor we caution the defendants about; she is

tough! We want to say "Thank you" and express our appreciation for the many hours she has dedicated to the program. Tamiaya states, "I Joined Teen Court because I wanted to be a lawyer when I grew up and I knew that the Program would give me more of an insight as to what actually happens in the courtroom." "I have developed a true passion regarding Teen Court and being in a courtroom setting. I feel like I'm in control when I'm in court. It has taught me how to be fair and how seeking justice is the more important thing in law despite me being a prosecutor and 'wanting the maximum penalty'. Nothing is more important than being fair to



someone who has committed an unlawful act. I love Teen Court and I plan to continue my journey in law even when I change schools." Tamiaya will be leaving Bartlett Yancey High School to attend the NC School of Science and Math. After graduation she plans on attending Duke or Wake Forrest majoring in law and minoring in biology. "It has been a real privilege participating in Teen Court. I have grown as a person and I have most definitely expanded my knowledge while being in the program. I have developed so many relationships with so many amazing people. I remember when I first started in 6th grade, I was very nervous. Casey (Blackman) was a prosecutor over me, she was phenomenal in the courtroom and I wanted to be just like her... I did just that. I am so thankful to be part of the Caswell County JCPC Teen Court Program. It has been an honor. Thanks to every person who has helped me along the way!" Tamiaya Henderson

#### **Cooperative Extension**



Bailey Wayne Talbott is the son of Angie & Chesley Talbott. Bailey graduated from Bartlett Yancey High School in 2018. He graduated 9<sup>th</sup> in his class out of 189 students. Bailey was Magna Cum Laude and a NC Scholar. He scored on the platinum level of the ACT Work keys test (He and 13 other students

on the highest level – this was the first time Bartlett Yancey High School ever had anyone score on the platinum level). Bailey will be attending ACC in the fall to pursue an Associates Degree in Automotive Technology.

### **Department of Social Services**

Submitted by: Yvette Williams

School is out and Summer is finally here. The workers at DSS, we are so excited about our children. They have grown by leaps and bounds. They area excelling and being promoted to the next level. Of their lives. Some have Graduated High school and going to the universities, colleges, and military.

The DSS parents and grandparents are so proud of their accomplishments. We had six young people to graduate from high school Carrington Breedlove (Mother Tonya Moye), Joe Durden (Mother April Durden) Camaia Brown (Mother Renisha Brown), Miracle Connally (Mother Wanda Connally), Devin Warner (Grandmother Mary Harrelson), Janae Johnson (Grandmother Chuvola Johnson).

Watching our children grow and become wiser and more educated is so awesome. We have children that are graduating from one school to another. The students that will be going over to the high school are: Devin Davis (grandmother Chuvola Johnson), Sean Thompson (mother Ruby Thompson), Dakyah Hayes who is also a member of the BETA club (mother April Pettiford) We have several that will be going to the middle school Hannah Collins (Aunt Heather Thomas), Christopher Poteat Jr. (Mother Donna Graves). The youngest but certainly not the least Ryan Hayes (Grandmother Angela Benson), and Ryder Hayes (mother Amy Hayes).

Jonna and Andy Lunsford's son Andrew Lunsford graduated from the NC State Hwy Patrol Academy on Saturday May 26, 2016.

We have many more children that were promoted from one grade to another. Let's let these wonderful, smart and beautiful children enjoy the summer to the fullest. Let them play, have fun, relax, and a little review so they will be ready when school starts in the fall.

Joe Durden is the son of Sheriff Tony Durden and April Durden. Joe is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High School. He has played football at the Caswell County Parks and Rec. and in middle and High school and he also ran track in high school. Joe plans to continue his summer employment at Sports Endeavors while preparing to enter his freshman year of college. Joe will be attending Chowan University in the fall majoring in Education With a concentration in Health and P.E.

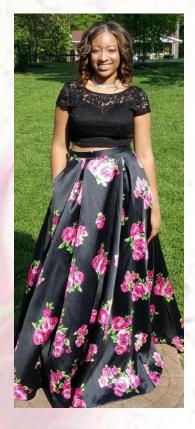
"Joe we pray that your future is bright and that you meet and exceed all goals you've set for yourself. May God continue to bless you. Love Mom and Dad."







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Camaia Alexis Brown is the daughter of Renisha Brown. Camaia is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High School. She is a member of BETA, HOSA, FBLA, FFA and Prom Committee. Camaia plans to attend UNC-Greensboro in the fall to pursue becoming an OB-GYN.

Renisha wants her daughter to know, "Mama is sooo proud of the young woman you have become and I am looking forward to seeing what you will do in the future. I love you!!! Congratulations Baby Girl!!!"

Janae Johnson is the granddaughter of Chuvola Johnson and daughter of Vance II & Emily Johnson. Janae is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High School. She has played basketball at the Caswell County Parks & Rec, in middle and high school and she also ran track in high school. Janae was the BYHS 2017 Homecoming Queen and a member of the National Society of High School Scholar. She has been an A-B Honor Roll recipient 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade! Janae is currently working at Sports Endeavors, Mebane NC. She plans to attend NC Central University. She is majoring in Exercise Science.

Chuvola states, "Janae is my 1st grandchild. I'm so proud of her. Janae is a very smart and beautiful young lady. I thank God for such a wonderful and joyful granddaughter. She has brought so much joy to my life. I hope all her dreams come true. May she keep God first and know that "with men things are impossible, but with God, ALL THINGS are POSSIBLE". Dream Big Baby Girl. I love you dearly, Ma-Ma"



### **Department of Social Services & Maintenance**

Myracle Shawnta Connally is the daughter of Calvin and Wanda Connally. Myracle is a 2018 graduate of Bartlett Yancey High School. She has played volleyball in middle and high school. At the Caswell County Parks & Rec she has played softball, volleyball, basketball and soccer. Myracle is currently working at the Parks & Rec as a scorekeeper and gatekeeper. Myracle plans to attend Alamance Community College in hopes of getting into the dental assistance program. After graduating from ACC she plans to work in a dental office.

"It's hard to believe that our baby girl is graduating school and getting ready to start a new adventure. We are so proud of the amazing young lady you have turned into. We know that you will succeed in whatever you choose to do. All our love, Mom & Dad"



Dear mom & dad, thank you for all that you've ever done for me. Thank you for pushing me to keep going and thank you for never giving up on me. Thank you for starting school with me & now, thank you for finishing high school with me. I love both of you more than life itself. Both of you mean the world to me. I know we have our ups and downs but you still continue to keep pushing me forward. Thank you for lifting me up when I'm down. I couldn't have done anything that I've done without you, guys.

- Myracle







# Happy

# Birthday!!

	<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	DEPARTMENT	<u>BIRTHDATE</u>
			JULY
	MARCY WILLIAMS	HEALTH	1
	NICHOLAS JULIUS	EMS	1
	JENNIFER HAMMOCK	FINANCE	6
	LAUREN HUDSON	DSS	6
	AVA BRACKIN	REGISTER OF DEEDS	6
	BETH JONES	HEALTH	7
	RHONDA PLEASANT	HEALTH	8
	DIANNE MOOREFIELD	DSS	9
	JESSICA TUCKER	EMS	9
	CHERYL HUSKEY	HEALTH	10
	JEANNIE LOVELACE	DETENTION	10
	BAYLEE MCMAHON	E-911	10
	JASON WATLINGTON	EMS	11
	PAUL HIGGINS	EMS	15
	MELISSA POOLE	SHERIFF	18
>	CHELSEA MARTINEZ	DSS	

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### Happy

# Birthday!!

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	DEPARTMENT	<u>BIRTHDATE</u>
		AUGUST
MICHAEL ADKINS	SHERIFF	1
DONNIE POWELL	HEALTH	2
KEITH FUQUA	LANDFILL	3
ANGY TURNER	SECTION 8 HOUSING	8
CHARLIE KING	FARMER LAKE	13
CALVIN CONNALLY	MAINTENANCE	13
DONNA GRAVES	DSS	13
LINDSAY BARTON	DSS	14
BRIA WILSON	SHERIFF	14
LEA WALTERS	CATS	19
LISA BARNETT	DSS	22
TAMMY PASCHAL	DSS	23
TONYA PEGG	JCPC	23
PAULA SEAMSTER	ADMINISTRATION	24
KEYON ROBINSON	DETENTION	25
ASHLEY KIRBY	ADMINISTRATION	26
MITCH THOMPSON	SOIL & WATER	27
JEREMIAH JEFFERIES	COMMISSIONER	28
VINCENT CORBETT	SHERIFF	30
DANIELLE ELMORE	HEALTH	31
JOHNNY CRUMPTON	PARKS & RECREATION	31



# Happy Birthday!!

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	BIRTHDATE
		SEPTEMBER
JUNE DAILEY	TAX	4
BRIAN SHULER	SHERIFF	4
DARRELL MCLEAN	SHERIFF	6
JONATHAN ELIXSON	SHERIFF	8
BERNARDO WILEY	DSS	8
MARY HARRELSON	DSS	10
BABBY WILEY	HEALTH	10
ALEX RIMMER	HEALTH	12
KAREN PICHARDO	DETENTION	15
ANGELA WILSON	PARKS & RECREATION	15
CODY REDDEN	SHERIFF	17
ASHLEY COLLINS	DSS	19
JOSH KYLANDER	SHERIFF	20
TERESA ROBERTS	FAMILY SERVICES	22
GINNY MITCHELL	REGISTER OF DEEDS	23
DUSTIN SMITHEY	ANIMAL CONTROL	23
JOHN LOFTIS	SHERIFF	24
SONYA PATTERSON	COOPERATIVE EXT.	24
VICKI FUTCH	HEALTH	26
MARY SUSAN JESSERER	HEALTH	26
JACKIE LITTLE	SHERIFF	26
STEPHANIE LUCK	DETENTION	29
TAMMY BUTLER	DSS	30
CASIE MEDLEY	COOPERATIVE EXT.	30

### **Wellness News**

Submitted by: Paula Seamster

I hope that everyone is enjoying the Wellness Activities that have been planned so far and that you will continue to enjoy them for the rest of the year. The Wellness Committee has planned a lot of things for the county employees and partner organizations. I wanted to share an email that I received from a county employees. This employee inspires me from what she does as far as wellness. This employee is April Durden with DSS. Please congratulate April on her wellness accomplishments.

"Attached is my May 2018 walking log. Even though I broke my Fit bit, I still met my goals for the month. I participated in the S & K Preemie Foundation field fundraiser which helped me step outside of my comfort zone. Our team came in 2nd place which I'm very proud of. I'm also participating Med instead of Meds workshop at the Senior Center on Tuesday at 5:30. My goal for June is to zip line through the Parks and Rec Department in Danville if they are offering it. I need to check the magazine they sent last week in the mail to see. Paula, thank you for everything you're doing to help employees get healthy. Enjoy your day!"







### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Caswell County Board of Commissioners Meetings**

Monday, July 2nd @ 9:00 a.m.

Monday, July 16th @ 6:30 p.m.

Monday, August 6th @ 9:00 a.m.

Monday, August 20th @ 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 4th @ 9:00 a.m. (Labor Day)

Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.

#### **Caswell County Hoedown**

Blood Drive – Wednesday, September 26th @ 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Senior Center

### Preserving the Past. .



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